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### Hazard Mitigation Grants Available for South Napa Earthquake

**SACRAMENTO** – The California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) is announcing the availability of funding under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) related to the Presidential Disaster Declaration for the South Napa Earthquake (DR-4193).

This program provides funding for the implementation of hazard mitigation project and planning activities using funds granted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Eligible applicants are required to submit a Notice of Interest (NOI) to participate in HMGP. Eligible applicants include State agencies, local governments, special districts, public colleges and universities, and private non-profit organizations as defined in Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (44 CFR), Section 206.434(a). Although NOIs will be accepted from eligible applicants statewide, pursuant to 44 CFR, Section 206.433(b), Cal OES determined priority will be given to NOIs received from the federally declared counties of Napa and Solano.

NOIs will be reviewed by Cal OES for eligibility then competitively ranked based on predetermined criteria. Eligible projects must meet the criteria specified in the 2013 Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Unified Guidance, which is available on Cal OES' website at <a href="http://www.caloes.ca.gov">http://www.caloes.ca.gov</a>.

All eligible NOIs received between November 1, 2014, and midnight on November 28, 2014, will be considered for this funding opportunity. Any NOIs received after midnight November 28, 2014, will not be accepted. Further, NOIs submitted before November 1, 2014, will not be considered for funding. The NOI must be submitted using the web-based form and following the instructions provided on Cal OES' website.

Eligible applicants who submit NOIs receiving the highest scores will be asked to develop applications for funding consideration. Cal OES staff will be assigned to assist in the development of applications. Cal OES will only accept applications for mitigation activities selected through this process. Applicants may submit NOIs for several different activities; however, may only submit one NOI for each activity.

#### **Due Date:**

The due date for the submission of NOIs for consideration of this funding opportunity is midnight, Friday, November 28, 2014.

# **Funding Caps:**

Projects: The proposed federal share may not exceed 75 percent of the total activity cost. The federal share for HMA Project NOIs may not exceed \$3,000,000.

Plans: The federal share for HMA Planning NOIs may not exceed \$150,000 for multi-jurisdiction plans and updates, or \$75,000 for single jurisdiction plans and updates.

## **Planning Requirement:**

Project NOIs must demonstrate a Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) is currently in place, or in process, and the proposed project is consistent with the LHMP. Applicants unable to meet this criterion are encouraged to submit an NOI proposing the development of an LHMP.